



#### PRESTON STREET CARPENTER SHOP, LOUISVILLE KY.

Every boy was in the Primary Class in Sunday-school ten years ago. The benches and cabinets used were made in our shop. On Sunday we are forced to use this room for a Primary Class with an average attendance of sixty-five.

for two hundred and fifty people have been made and are used each week. Tables and kitchen shelves and cabinets are in daily use. Both missions have been painted and alabastined outside and inside, under the direction of the instructor, with the assistance of boys from the carpenter shop.

#### A Notable Housekeeper

suggested that cooking lessons would be an addition to the course of instruction. No room was available, and none could be rented in the immediate vicinity of the missions, and we were shut up to the alternative of not having a cooking school or of erecting a room for one on rented ground. We secured a lease on the building for two years, and estimated that the cost of erecting a cheap shed room would be no more than the rent of a room of the same size for two years.

A student in the seminary, who had formerly been a carpenter, kindly volunteered to oversee the erection if the colored boys and white teachers would do the work.

#### Room Built by Class in Carpentry

This matter was laid before our class in carpentry, and again they unanimously volunteered to help. With pickaxes, shovels,

and wheelbarrows they made the excavation for the foundation. For ten days they gave their time voluntarily to the erection of this room. It was done in January, when the weather was cold. The day this roof was put on, misting rain, with snow and sleet, was falling. It was so cold that our hands became numb, but these boys, without any pay, remained on the roof until it was covered. That night a heavy sleet fell, and remained on the ground for six weeks. Had the job not been completed under such conditions the work of the cooking class would have been delayed six weeks. This fidelity enabled the class to begin the next morning in a large, well-lighted, well-ventilated, and thoroughly equipped kitchen, under the direction of this skillful housekeeper. Most appetizing dishes have been prepared by the girls, who are anxious for an opportunity to learn how to prepare more wholesome food for their own home, and how to render more valuable and efficient services as employees.

#### Fifty Girls Refused Admission

The classes in this department have been under the direction of women, who have given time and thought to planning a course of instruction. Through the generosity of friends, we